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SOUTHBRIDGE MASS

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FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
80 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON, MA 02116

800 # 3-89

Photo (3"x3" or 3"x5", black and white) Indicate address of property on back of photo. Staple to left side of form.

Sketch Map: Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection(s).
Indicate north

UTM REFERENCE 18/744420/4662 680
USGS QUADRANGLE Southbridge, Mass-Conn
SCALE 1:25,000

542

AREA	FORM NO.
<u>D</u>	<u>460</u>

Town SouthbridgeAddress 16 - High StreetHistoric Name Hamilton Mill Brick HouseUse: Present residenceOriginal residence

DESCRIPTION

Date ca. 1855Source mapsStyle Greek RevivalArchitect unknownExterior Wall Fabric brickOutbuildings noneMajor Alterations (with dates) noneCondition GoodMoved No Date N/AAcreage less than one acreSetting on rise overlooking mill with
filling station parking lot in front yardRecorded by S. CeccacciOrganization Southbridge Historical Com-
missionDate May 1986

NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA STATEMENT (if applicable)

The Hamilton Mill Brick House is significant as rare surviving housing of Southbridge's early mill development at Globe Village, meeting National Register criteria A and C at the local level. It retains integrity of location, materials, workmanship, design, feeling, and association. The boundaries indicated on the attached assessors map are those of current ownership.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.

This two and a half story brick house follows the five bay center entry plan traditionally the most popular in New England prior to the mid-19th century. Greek Revival in style, it has a recessed main entrance with multi-divided side lights and transom, pedimented end gables, and granite sills and lintels. The rear facade is three bays with a central entry. One other similar brick house exists from the same period in Southbridge, the Vinton-Torrey Farmhouse (1841) (form #B-244) on Torrey Road. Although the two houses share similar features such as the five bay center entry plan, brick construction and granite sills and lintels, the Hamilton Mill Brick House is the more imposing.

The Vinton-Torrey House does not have complete end pediments or the deeply recessed entrance of the Hamilton House. Set on a rise overlooking the factory, the Hamilton Mill Brick House was probably the residence of a mill employee serving in a supervisory or executive capacity.

(See Continuation Sheet)

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.

Probably contemporary to the Hamilton Millwright/Mill Agent's House, this dwelling was probably built in the 1840's or 1850's at the time of, or just before, the development of the High-Sayles Street area as a middle class residential area for Hamilton employees. Shown as the property of the Hamilton Woolen Company, this house first appeared on the 1855 map of Southbridge. It remained in the hands of the company through the end of the century, and possibly on into the 20th-century.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

maps, atlases

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Office of the Secretary, Boston

Community: <u>MRA</u> Southbridge	Form No: <u>D-460</u>
Property Name: <u>Hamilton Mill Brick House</u> <u>Main and High Streets</u>	

Indicate each item on inventory form which is being continued below.

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (cont'd)

The use of brick for residential buildings was much more common in Southbridge during the Federal period (especially ca. 1800-1830) than later. However, residential buildings built for the Hamilton Mill during the late 1830's and the 1840's were typically built of brick. For example, the Hamilton Millwright/Mill Agent's House (ca. 1840) (form # D-460), Brick Row, a group of brick worker's houses (1836) (form A-149) and the Girls' Boarding House (ca. 1836?) no longer standing, were all built of brick. A few brick Greek Revival style houses were also built during the 1840's and 1850's in the mill-sponsored High-Sayles Street residential area nearby. An exception was the row of frame Greek Revival style tenement houses built by the mill on West Street (form #D-455) around 1840-1850's.

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United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet

Section number _____ Page _____

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic GroupName Southbridge MRA
State Worcester County, MASSACHUSETTS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

31. Gleason, James, Cottage Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

Attest _____

32. Globe Village Fire House
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

Attest _____

33. Glover Street Historic District
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34. Hamilton Mill Brick House
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35. Hamilton Mill--West Street Factory Housing
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36. Hamilton Millwright--Agent's House
Entered in the
National RegisterKeeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

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37. Hamilton Woolen Company Historic District

Keeper *Betty L. Savage* 6/22/89

Attest _____

38. Harrington, Theodore, House

Keeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

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39. Hartwell, George H., House

Keeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

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40. Hartwell, Samuel C., House

Keeper *Arlene Byers* 6/22/89

Attest _____

Substantive Review

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Hamilton Mill Brick House

MULTIPLE NAME: Southbridge MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MASSACHUSETTS, Worcester

DATE RECEIVED: 5/15/89 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 5/31/89
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 6/16/89 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 6/29/89
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 89000542

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

☒ ACCEPT ☐ RETURN ☐ REJECT 6/22/89 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

Entered in the
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA _____
REVIEWER _____
DISCIPLINE _____
DATE _____

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

CLASSIFICATION

___ count ___ resource type

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY CERTIFICATION

FUNCTION

___ historic ___ current

DESCRIPTION

___ architectural classification
___ materials
___ descriptive text

SIGNIFICANCE

Period Areas of Significance--Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

___ summary paragraph
___ completeness
___ clarity
___ applicable criteria
___ justification of areas checked
___ relating significance to the resource
___ context
___ relationship of integrity to significance
___ justification of exception
___ other

BIBLIOGRAPHY

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

___ acreage ___ verbal boundary description
___ UTMs ___ boundary justification

ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTATION/PRESENTATION

___ sketch maps ___ USGS maps ___ photographs ___ presentation

OTHER COMMENTS

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to

_____ Phone _____

Signed _____ Date _____



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HELP WANTED

16 High St (D-460)

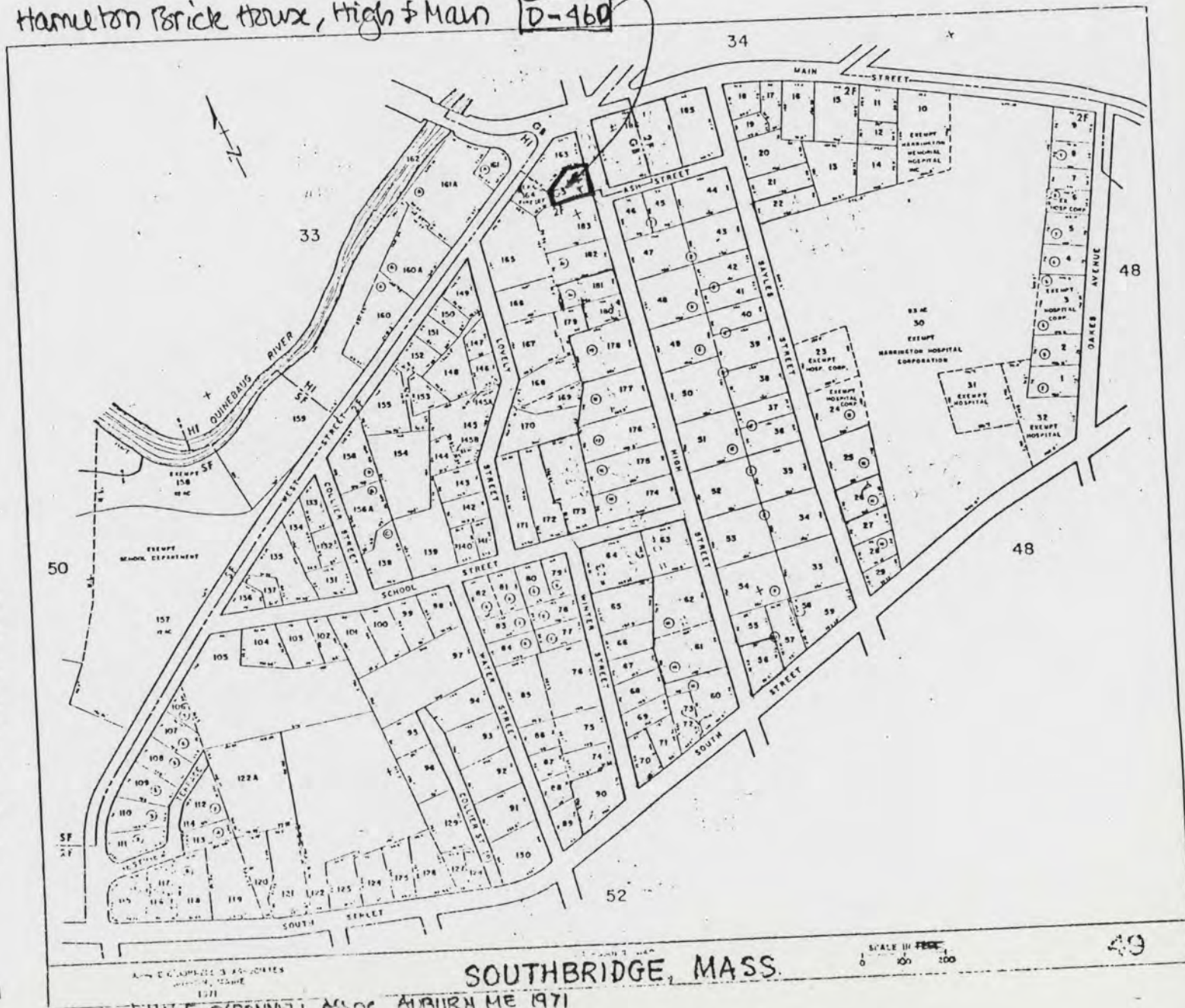
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Hamilton Brick House, High & Main **D-460**

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AND EXHIBITS 3 AND 4

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000294